

## South Park Stakeholders Group – SOBO/EBO Committee Meeting Wednesday, July 3, 2013, 8:30 AM 1333 S. Hope St, Los Angeles, CA 90015

**Committee Members:** Robin Bieker, Bob Buente, Mercedes Talley, Gerry Suenram

**Staff:** Jessica Lall, Amanda Irvine

### **MINUTES:**

**Committee Chair, Bob Buente, called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM. There were no public announcements or comments.**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action taken?</b>
<b>Public Comment</b>	No public comment	<b>No action taken</b>
<b>Committee Introductions &amp; Mission</b>	<p>Mercedes and Gerry are new committee members, each introduces themselves. This is the “clean and safe” committee, and follows our Management District Plan, which is our contract with the City. This outlines what we can spend our money on – this committee represents 66% of our total budget. This committee will meet at the first Wed. of the month at 8:30 AM, and will make recommendations to the board on how to vote on SOBO items. Possible change in coverage: amount of officers and times of day. We go to weekly crime stat meetings, and we want to maintain our low crime stats. Database is coming.</p> <p><b>Gerry</b> – Would like staffing list for security so they know who is on when and can be introduced to buildings.</p>	<b>Staff will prepare a list of clean and safe officers.</b>
<b>Security equipment update</b>	<p>Currently we have 3 vehicles – trash vehicle, blue Silverado truck with power washer, blue Tacoma for patrolling. Clean team needs a vehicle for graffiti removal. We’re going to give Clean the Tacoma, and get the Security team segways instead of a new truck. Board had agreed to allocate \$30,000 for new truck; SOBO committee can approve changing this to 2 segways and related materials instead. Additionally, painting/wrapping/putting logo on current trucks. Total is not to exceed \$26,000.</p>	<b>Mercedes motions to reallocate the \$30,000 for the truck to 2 segways and painting the current vehicles. Bob seconds. All in favor, none opposed.</b>
<b>Clean team equipment purchase</b>	<p>Looking at ways to improve the clean team efficiency with proper equipment. Ideas include having the power washer on a trailer instead on the truck, so anyone can use it; “hydrotwister”- pressure washer that looks more like a marble floor polisher; vacuum/mulchers that hold up to 40 lbs; backpack sprayers with anti-urine enzymes or anti-weed spray; graffiti wipes. Total is \$9,275 for all these new materials.</p>	<b>Mercedes motions to allocate \$15,000 to new clean team equipment. Bob seconds, all in favor, none opposed.</b>

<b>Planters / umbrellas / chairs purchase</b>	<p>SP would like to launch a pilot program on key blocks with residential buildings to beautify them with street furniture, based on what we've seen work well in San Diego and Portland. 6 pilot corners suggested based on need to spend more money on condo blocks per MDP. The look would not be chosen today; these options are simply examples and to look at costs of potential items.</p> <p><b>Gerry</b> – Technically, Cork bar is in common seating area of EVO. We need to be careful about what areas are public vs. owned by the parcels/HOAs.</p> <p>4 – 6 corners could be done for under \$30,000. IDEA: solar powered lights for under umbrellas.</p>	<b>Bob motions that committee recommends to the Board to authorize EBO to spend \$30,000 on corner beautification on up to 6 corners, Mercedes seconds. All in favor, none opposed.</b>
<b>Sidewalk Update</b>	<p>SP Staff and Bob have had multiple meetings with city entities (CD14, BOE, BOSS and City Clerk) in order to determine how to fix the broken sidewalks in the district. There are many ways to do so, all convoluted in their own ways. Property owners are responsible for sidewalks, but when it is the street trees that cause the issues, it is the city's responsibility. City has no money. Hopefully within next couple of months, we'll have a solid plan for how to fix them. Will continue to work with CD 14 on this. For district identity, the whole district needs to look good and be walkable – should not have some sidewalks good and others bad.</p>	<b>No action taken.</b>
<b>My Fig Update</b>	<p>As part of MyFig budget, there is money to add additional amenities to 11<sup>th</sup> St, but with no maintenance budget from the grants. DOT had no ability or money to maintain this. We're working with City and Figueroa Corridor BID on maintaining the landscaping and signage and benches they are putting in, with a cap on how much we could spend. Likely we will have a more formalized contract by the next meeting for how this process will go.</p>	<b>No action taken.</b>
<b>Policy on Additional officers</b>	<p>There are many special events in our neighborhood. Everyone wants extra security for their special events, have them be stationary in specific parts, and we have to pay them overtime, which is not general what we do. Jessica will type up a specific policy on this for the next meeting. There are 2 situations – requests for specific amounts at specific points, vs. there is a lot going on and we determine that we need more officers.</p> <p><b>Gerry</b> - Does Streetplus have a labor pool to substitute from other companies if we need extra people? No, but we can call people in from other shifts.</p> <p><b>Mercedes</b> – Brick walkway that is adjacent to Flower is not well lit. We can talk to MTA about it.</p>	<b>South Park will formally implement policy of charging for additional officers upon request.</b>

<b>Next Meeting</b>	Wednesday, August 7 at 8:30 AM	
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**Bob adjourns meeting at 9:54**

**NEXT STEPS:**

- **Jessica will:**
  - Move forward with painting trucks and purchasing 2 segways.
  - Move forward with purchasing new Clean equipment.
  - Type up a specific policy on extra security for special events for the next meeting.
- **Amanda will:**
  - Organize a roster of clean and safe officers to be passed out.

**Minutes taken by Amanda Irvine, staff, revised by Jessica Lall.**